

## EXTENSION OF GENERAL CLAIMS COMMISSION

*Convention signed at México June 18, 1932, modifying convention of September 8, 1923, as modified*

*Ratified by Mexico October 7, 1932*

*Supplemented by protocols of June 18, 1932,<sup>1</sup> and April 24, 1934<sup>2</sup>*

*Ratified by the President of the United States January 14, 1935, pursuant to Senate resolution of February 17, 1931<sup>3</sup>*

*Ratifications exchanged at Washington February 1, 1935*

*Entered into force February 1, 1935; operative from August 30, 1931*

*Proclaimed by the President of the United States February 1, 1935*

*Expired February 1, 1937*

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### CONVENTION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO EXTENDING DURATION OF THE GENERAL CLAIMS COMMISSION PROVIDED FOR IN THE CONVENTION OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1923

WHEREAS a convention was signed on September 8, 1923,<sup>4</sup> between the United States of America and the United Mexican States for the settlement and amicable adjustment of certain claims therein defined; and

WHEREAS under Article VI of said Convention the Commission constituted pursuant thereto was required to hear, examine and decide within three years from the date of its first meeting all the claims filed with it, except as provided in Article VII; and

WHEREAS by a convention concluded between the two Governments on

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<sup>1</sup> *Post*, p. 973.

<sup>2</sup> EAS 57, *post*, p. 1008.

<sup>3</sup> The Senate resolution requested the President "in his discretion, to negotiate and conclude with the Mexican Government such agreement or agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for the further extension of the duration of the General Claims Commission provided for by the convention of September 8, 1923, and of the Special Claims Commission provided for by the convention of September 10, 1923, between the United States and Mexico in order to permit of the hearing, examination, and decision of all claims within the jurisdiction of said commissions under the terms of said conventions, and to make such further arrangement as in his judgment may be deemed appropriate for the expeditious adjudication of said claims."

<sup>4</sup> TS 678, *ante*, p. 935.

August 16, 1927,<sup>5</sup> the time for hearing, examining and deciding the said claims was extended for a period of two years; and

WHEREAS by a convention concluded between the two Governments on September 2, 1929,<sup>6</sup> the time for hearing, examining and deciding the said claims was extended for a further period of two years; and

WHEREAS it has been found that the said Commission could not hear, examine, and decide such claims within the time limit thus fixed;

The President of the United States of America and the President of the United Mexican States are desirous that the time thus fixed for the duration of the said Commission should be further extended, and to this end have named as their respective plenipotentiaries, that is to say:

The President of the United States of America, J. Reuben Clark, Jr., Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Mexico; and

The President of the United Mexican States, Manuel C. Téllez, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

Who, after having communicated to each other their respective full powers found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following articles:

#### ARTICLE I

The High Contracting Parties agree that the term assigned by Article VI of the Convention of September 8, 1923, as extended by Article I of the Convention concluded between the two Governments on September 2, 1929, for the hearing, examination, and decision of claims for loss or damage accruing prior to August 30, 1927, and filed with the Commission prior to said date, shall be, and the same is hereby extended from August 30, 1931, the date on which, pursuant to the provisions of the said Article I of the Convention of 1929, the functions of the said Commission terminated in respect to such claims, for a further period which shall expire in two full years from the date of the exchange of ratifications of this Convention.

It is agreed that nothing contained in this Article shall in any wise alter or extend the time originally fixed in the said Convention of September 8, 1923, for the presentation of claims to the Commission, or confer upon the Commission any jurisdiction over any claim for loss or damage accruing subsequent to August 30, 1927.

#### ARTICLE II

The present Convention shall be ratified and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Washington as soon as possible.

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<sup>5</sup> TS 758, ante, p. 957.

<sup>6</sup> TS 801, ante, p. 965.

In witness whereof the above-mentioned Plenipotentiaries have signed the same and affixed their respective seals.

Done in duplicate at the City of Mexico, in the English and Spanish languages, this eighteenth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

J. REUBEN CLARK, JR. [SEAL]

MANUEL C. TÉLLEZ [SEAL]